

### ***Remarks***

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1-9, 11-21 and 24-35 are pending in the application, with claims 1, 16 and 30 being the independent claims. New claims 24-35 are sought to be added. Support for the newly added claims is found on page 15, line 25 through page 16, line 8 of the specification. These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

### ***Conclusion***

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Supplemental Amendment is respectfully requested. All of the stated grounds of objection and rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot in the Amendment and Reply filed August 20, 2003. Applicant believes the present application is in condition for allowance and therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this

application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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